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SPAWAR Moves Contracting into the Electronic Arena E-Commerce Central now accepts Electronic Proposal Submission

SAN DIEGO — The Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command has implemented an electronic system for posting announcements and accepting submissions for all contracts through the Internet.

In May of 1997, the Under Secretary of Defense, Mr. John Hamre, directed all Defense Department agencies to move to a paper-free contracting process by Jan. 1, 2000. SPAWAR implemented the first part of the paper-free process Dec. 7, 1998 when it launched a web-based acquisition announcement system on e-commerce.spawar.navy.mil SPAWAR moved into the “paperless” contracting era when it released the updated Business Opportunities Page Feb. 12, 2001. The new SPAWAR E-Commerce Central accepts electronic proposals submitted by registered vendors. After Mar. 1, 2001 paper copies are not accepted for responses to solicitations.

Over the last two years, SPAWAR, the U.S. Army’s Communications Electronics Command, the U.S. Special Operations Command and the U.S. Departments of State, Commerce, and Energy, have worked together to develop and improve the electronic transaction process. This Inter-Agency Business Opportunity Page working group shares coding, templates, techniques and technology to implement and operate electronic commerce sites.

SPAWAR’s E-Commerce Central uses two [Compaq ProLiant 7000](#) dual processor servers with industry standard 128-bit secure socket layer encryption for all transactions. Server logs record the date and time that businesses upload their responses to solicitations and are used to determine compliance with closing dates and times for proposals. Companies will be required to submit their signed contract offer as either scanned tagged information format files (TIFF) or Adobe Acrobat version 4.01 (or higher) Portable Document Files (PDF). Information on how to submit contract proposals electronically is available on the electronic commerce web site.

The URL for the SPAWAR E-CC is <https://e-commerce.spawar.navy.mil>.

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